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1,000 young readers in program

NEWTON—Branch managers of the Catawba County Library System report about 1,000 children and youth have signed up for Summer Reading since June 2.

The program, focused on the themes “Catch the Reading Bug” and “Metamorphosis @ Your Library,” encourages reading when school is not in session. Participants log reading time to be eligible for prizes. Sign-ups continue through July as library programming is planned each week. A few upcoming highlights:

Incredible Edible Bugs & Peter Pan—Youngsters will create “buggy” snacks as they watch a live production of *Peter Pan* by CAST, a local theatre troupe. 6:30 p.m. Monday, July 14, at St. Stephens Branch.

The Identibug—All ages are invited to an evening with hissing cockroaches, furry spiders and more. 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 15, at Sherrills Ford Branch.

Creepy Crafts—Kids will create a bug montage while hearing the “buggy” stories of Eric Carle. At 3 p.m. Tuesday, July 15, at Southwest Branch in Mountain View. Similar programs will be held at 3 p.m. Wednesday, July 16 at Sherrills Ford and 4 p.m. Thursday, July 17, at Newton.

Beetle Mania. Teens will play the “Beetle Game” and hear Beatle music and trivia while enjoying free coffee. The fun begins at 6:30 p.m. July 15 at St. Stephens.

Incredible Edible Bugs—Children will create their own buggy snacks on Wednesday, July 16. The programs begin at 3 p.m. at Claremont and 4:30 p.m. in Conover. Similar program will be held at 3 p.m. Thursday, July 17, at Maiden and again at 5 p.m. at Newton (teens only).

Catawba County Library, with facilities across the county, ranks 20th in size among public libraries in North Carolina, with a service population of 110,000.

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